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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of: William Franklin Harris

Application No: 09/771,226

Filed: January 26, 2001

For: SUSPENSIONS OF WATER SOLUBLE
POLYMERS IN SURFACTANT FREE
NON-AQUEOUS SOLVENTS

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AMENDMENT "B"

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Sir:

Applicant timely responds to the Office Action dated February 6, 2003, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 27 and 33 as follows:

27. (twice amended) A non-aqueous suspension, comprising:

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- (a) about 0.1 to about 75 percent by weight guar gum;
 - (b) about 20 to about 99.8 percent by weight polyalkylene glycol; and
 - (c) about 0.1 to about 5 percent by weight hydrogenated castor wax.

33. (twice amended) A non-aqueous suspension, comprising:

- B²
- (a) about 0.1 to about 40 percent by weight cationic-, hydroxyalkyl-, carboxyalkyl-, or carboxyalkylhydroxyalkyl-derivatized guar gum;
 - (b) about 55 to about 99.8 percent by weight polyalkylene glycol; and
 - (c) about 0.1 to about 5 percent by weight hydrogenated castor wax.

REMARKS

Claims 1-98 remain in the referenced application. Claims 27 and 33 have been amended, and appended hereto are marked versions of claim 27 and 33 illustrating the revisions made thereto.